

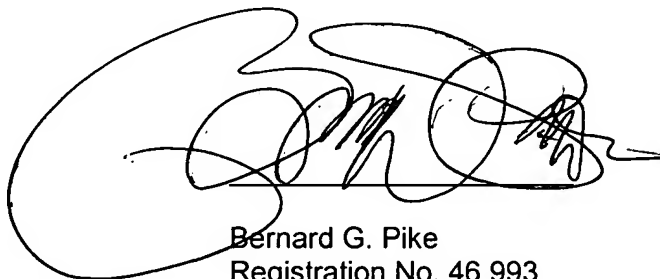
**Remarks**

In the Office Action, the Applicants are required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a single species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic is finally held allowed. Applicants herein elect a polymerization and the polymer produced from methyl methacrylate monomers, poly(dimethylsiloxane) macromonomers, and a poly(dimethylsiloxane) macroinitiator. The claims that read on this election are claims 1-9, 12-13, 15-16, 23-26, 29, and 32-34.

**Conclusion**

Applicants have made a diligent effort to fully respond to the all the election requirement presented in the Office Action. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in the subject application. If the Examiner has any concerns regarding Applicants' present response, he is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below so that those concerns may be expeditiously addressed.

Respectfully submitted,



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